

PROFANITY GROWING HERE, PASTOR SAYS

Dr. W. W. Elwang Calls
Attention to Evil in His
Sunday Sermon.

MORE GAMBLING TOO

National League is Formed
to Work Against Im-
proper Speech.

Is profanity increasing? Dr. W. W. Elwang, pastor of the Presbyterian Church, surprised his hearers by declaring in his morning sermon yesterday that a great deal more profanity is heard on the streets of Columbia now than five years ago.

"One can scarcely walk ten steps on Broadway on a busy day without hearing oaths, especially from the lips of young men," said Doctor Elwang. "There is also more gambling here than five years ago."

These statements were made in a discussion of the social and economic advancement of Americans and the lack of fulfillment of the Ten Commandments in actual life.

"The increase of swearing was impressed on me more because I remember making the statement five years ago that there was hardly any profanity among the University students," Doctor Elwang said this morning.

The increase in profanity in America led to the organization of the Clean Language League of America last week at Chicago. The league's officers said that the tendency to use profanity has reached the maximum, due to lax public opinion.

The object of the organization is to prevent the current use of blasphemous profane and obscene language in public places, to obtain the enforcement of laws against blasphemy and foul language, to stop the public singing of ribald and suggestive songs and to conduct a campaign of education in favor of clean language.

HIS HOME AND AUTO BURN

Gasoline Explosion Awakens Sleepers
in Fire-Swept House.

Fire early yesterday morning badly damaged the home of Orville Harrelson, 813 Parnell street, north of the Hamilton-Brown shoe factory, and destroyed three outhouses, an automobile, a buggy and harness. Most of the furniture was saved. The fire started in the shed containing the car, and spread to the other buildings. The house was insured for \$1,000 and the automobile for about \$700.

The house was occupied by Mr. and Mrs. Harrelson. The explosion of the gasoline awakened them.

Mr. Harrelson, who is employed at the shoe factory, moved here recently. Mrs. Harrelson said today that she could not account for the origin of the fire. A year ago last August, their home at Mexico, Mo., burned.

Fire Chief Newman used 650 feet of hose to reach the blaze. The hose broke three times, and about 150 feet was lost. The average life of fire hose is about three years, and this had been in use for that length of time. New hose costs about \$1.10 a foot.

GATE DEDICATION IN MAY

Memorial to Joseph K. Rogers Being
Built at Christian.

Work is progressing on the memorial gateway at the main entrance of Christian College. The gateway is to be a memorial to Joseph K. Rogers, who was president of the college from 1858 to 1877.

Doctor Rogers was living in Columbia at the time of his death. He received his master's degree in the University of Missouri. The widow of President Rogers will help arrange for the dedication, which probably will be in May. Mrs. Luella St. Clair Moss, president of the college, said they had planned to have the services about the first of February, but on account of the late arrival of stone, it would be some months later.

The gate is of Bedford granite and Boone County limestone.

Visiting University High School.

Miss M. M. Brashear, of the department of English in the Kirksville Normal School, is in Columbia today visiting the University High School. Miss Brashear was graduated from the University in 1910.

CLOUDS AND RAIN TONIGHT

L. E. Foreman Also Calls for Cooler
Weather Tomorrow.

The forecast of the United States Weather Bureau today says: Increasing cloudiness with rain late tonight or Tuesday; cooler Tuesday. The temperatures:

7 a. m.60	11 a. m.69
8 a. m.60	12 (noon)71
9 a. m.63	1 p. m.72
10 a. m.67	2 p. m.75

TOMORROW

Judge W. H. Thomas, of Montgomery Ala., on "A Nation in the Making," at assembly. Recital by Prof. Kelly L. Alexander, baritone, in the Christian College auditorium, 8:15 o'clock.

FEWER SHORTCOURSES THIS YEAR

But Last Year Many Came on Rail-
road Scholarships.

The enrollment in the short course in agriculture is 181 now. This is less than were enrolled at the end of the first week last year.

"The enrollment was ten less at the end of the third day this year than it was last," said Dean F. B. Mumford, "but we do not consider this a decrease. We consider it an increase because last year fifty-seven students were here on railroad scholarships. This year no railroads are giving scholarships and all the students that are here are on their own expense. Probably several of those who were here last year would not have come if it had not been for the scholarships."

The complete two-year course includes thirty-six weeks of work. It is divided into four terms, two of which are given each year. Forty-four students are now enrolled in the second year work. Last year twenty-eight took this part of the course.

The roll of the short course students includes graduates from many colleges and universities. Alumni of Harvard, Yale, Michigan, Cornell and several from the University of Missouri are taking the course.

"A majority of the students in this course have had at least a high school training," said Dean Mumford. "The standard of scholarship of the average short course student is improving every year."

P. B. BRANHAM DEAD

End Comes to Former Con-
federate Soldier and
River Captain.

Philip B. Branham, a former Mississippi River steamboat captain, who lived on Stewart road near Greenwood avenue, died at 11:30 o'clock Saturday night. Captain Branham had been in poor health since last June but had been seriously ill only about three weeks. A disease of the stomach caused his death.

Funeral services were conducted at the home by the Rev. S. S. Keith at 9 o'clock this morning. The body was taken to Salisbury for burial, leaving at 9:40 o'clock.

Captain Branham leaves a wife and one sister, who lives in Kentucky.

Captain Branham, who was 65 years old, was reared in Owensboro, Ky. He was an aid-de-camp in the Confederate army. His father objected to his being in the army at all and brought him home several times, but each time Captain Branham, who was then a boy and small, for his age, slipped away from home to support the cause that he believed in.

For several years after the war Captain Branham was employed on boats of the lower Mississippi. He was captain to the Terra Schen, a steamer, which ran from Owensboro, Ky., to New Orleans, for twelve years. About twenty-five or thirty years ago Captain Branham quit the river and went to Salisbury, Mo., where he went into the tobacco business. He conducted a tobacco warehouse there for several years until the building burned.

He was cashier of the Bank of Salisbury for several years. He was also the mayor of Salisbury one term. When he was elected mayor Salisbury had the name of being very hard to manage. A crowd of ruffians had been coming to the town and causing great disturbances. But Captain Branham broke up that conduct and made the town law-abiding.

Captain Branham had lived in Columbia about fifteen years. He was connected with Hartshe's book store at 920 Broadway until about two years ago.

He was a member of the First Baptist Church of Columbia.

CITY LADS EXCEL FARMERS PHYSICALLY

Development of Shortcourse
Students Is Uneven, Says
O. F. Field.

TO REMEDY FAULT

Gymnasium Work and In-
struction in Rural Recre-
ation Provided.

The students in the University who have spent their lives on the farm are not equal in physical development to the men coming from the cities, according to O. F. Field, instructor in athletics.

To remedy this physical fault, a class in physical training will be started tomorrow for the short-course students. In the physical examination of men from the farm it has been found that their development is very uneven. Special muscles, such as those of the upper arms and shoulders, were over-developed. In other places the men were found to be very deficient. The grip of many students from the farm is inferior to that of the city man, especially of those who have had physical training.

Instruction will be given also in rural recreation, in the management and administration of rural games and playground work. Next Sunday Mr. Field will lecture to the short-course students at the Y. M. C. A. on "Rural Recreation."

The physical training class for short-course students will begin tomorrow night. It will meet on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 7:30 to 8:30 o'clock. On account of the lack of room lockers can not be furnished, but a special room will be given to members of the class. A fee of \$1 will be charged for the course.

FURS ARE SCARCE HERE NOW

Local Dealers Say Business in Boone
County Is Dying-Out.

The fur business in Boone County will soon be a thing of the past, according to hide and fur dealers of Columbia. This scarcity of furs is due to the small amount of timber left in the county. The muskrat is the most plentiful and its fur brings the lowest price.

The price of the raccoon hide ranges from 50 cents to \$2; the skunk from 50 cents to \$2.50; the muskrat from 15 to 50 cents; opossum 15 to 50 cents; mink from \$1.50 to \$5, and the fox, from \$1 to \$3.50.

The popular furs for this year are the raccoon, skunk and opossum.

INJURED PLAYERS IMPROVING

Football Men in Hospital Will Be Out
in a Few Days.

Elwyn Andrews and Don L. Brooks, two football players who were injured in games here Saturday, are improving rapidly and will be out of the Parker Memorial Hospital in a few days, according to Dr. G. L. Noyes.

Andrew suffered a broken collar bone in a fall while playing with the seniors in a class game. Brooks was a player on the Mexico Military Academy team which defeated Columbia High School. Brooks' back was wrenched.

Discussed Student Extension Work.

A. M. Finley, a junior in the School of Engineering returned this morning from a conference at Missouri Valley College, Marshall, Mo., which was held to study methods of extension work by college organizations. Plans are being made to have students go out over Sunday to small towns in their neighborhoods to help in church work. The details have not yet been worked out.

VanKatwijk to Assist in Recital.

Paul VanKatwijk, who appeared recently in Columbia in his first American recital, will assist Kelly L. Alexander in the faculty recital at Christian College tomorrow evening. Miss Mary L. Barks, who was to have assisted Mr. Alexander will be prevented on account of a recent death in her family.

Spoke on Country Life Problems.

About one hundred men heard the lecture of Prof. D. H. Doane, yesterday morning at the Y. M. C. A., on "The Problems of Country Life." O. F. Field will speak next Sunday morning in the same place on "The Farmers' Sports and Playgrounds." The talk will be at 9 o'clock.

SPRING-LIKE DAYS TO CONTINUE HERE

Pleasant Weather Is Shared
by Area Extending From
Ohio to Gulf.

REEDER TELLS WHY

Forecaster Can See No
Indication of Change
Soon.

Columbia may expect the present brand of spring-like weather to continue for several days, according to all the signs of the weather prophet. At least there is no present indication of a change.

Practically the whole of the United States at present is being favored in the same way, including an area stretching south from the Ohio to the Gulf of Mexico and west from the Mississippi to the Rockies. The northern states, receiving the full brunt of the migratory movement of the air condition known to the meteorologist as "low area" or "cyclonic," are being subjected to rainy and unsettled weather.

There are many conditions the weather forecaster must take into account when making predictions, according to George Reeder, government forecaster at Columbia.

The present favorable weather may be accounted for by the fact that the "high area," or "anti-cyclonic," indicating high barometer, entering the country in the Northwest, is moving down the Rocky slope and drifting to the southward. A high area means the air is dry and heavy and therefore descending, bringing a clarified condition of the atmosphere and good weather.

The "low area," indicating low barometer, also entering from the Northwest, is traveling east north of parallel 45 and is furnishing the northern states with rainy and unsettled weather. In the "low area" the rising warm air cools by expansion and brings rain or snow.

Owing to the deflecting force of the earth's rotation, all areas travel from west to east. They are known as "migratory areas." These, however, are controlled by permanent centers located in the Atlantic and Pacific oceans. The areas at present are moving in much the same direction, hence the prediction of continued fair days.

MISSIONARIES TO TALK

Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Strother to Lecture
to Young People's Societies.

Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Strother, missionaries from China, will lecture at the union meeting of young people's societies of the Methodist, Baptist, Christian and Presbyterian churches tomorrow night, at the Presbyterian Church. Wednesday night they will lecture, illustrating their talk with stereopticon slides, at one of the other churches, probably the Christian. The place will be announced at the meeting tomorrow.

Mr. and Mrs. Strother were in China four years. Both are general field secretaries of Christian Endeavor in the Orient. "Look out for China" is the warning message that they bring to Americans. They say that the Chinese have a love for his country now that was never known before. He has learned this patriotism in the past few years. Mrs. Strother was state secretary of the Missouri Christian Endeavor for five years.

Miss Nora Brady Weds.

Miss Nora Brady of Columbia and Robert A. Keating of Kansas City were married by the Rev. Father Lloyd at his residence at 9 o'clock yesterday morning. They departed for Kansas City yesterday afternoon and will make their home there. Mr. Keating is a bookkeeper in Kansas City. Mrs. Keating is the daughter of A. C. Brady, 619 North Eighth street.

Miss Hilliard Teaching in Ohio.

Miss Mabel I. Hilliard, a graduate student in geology here last year, is teaching at Defiance College in Ohio. She accepted this position early this fall, to teach geology, botany and agriculture. Miss Hilliard's home is at Bolivar, Holt County, Mo. She went on the trip to the West with the students in the department of geology last summer.

WOMEN GRADUATES MEET

Notes of the St. Louis Alumnae of the
University of Missouri.

Among the active organizations of University of Missouri graduates in this state is the St. Louis Alumnae Association, which has already held two meetings this fall. The following notes are contributed by the secretary:

The first meeting of the University of Missouri Alumnae Association of St. Louis for the year 1912-1913 was held September 28 at the home of Mrs. J. H. Davis. The following officers were elected for the ensuing year: Miss Emily Maguire, president; Miss Beulah Baker, vice-president; Miss Gertrude Mathiason, secretary; Miss Anna Van Hook, treasurer; Mrs. William T. Nardin, member-at-large of the executive board.

The second meeting was at the home of Mrs. Nardin on October 26. Dr. Isidor Loeb was the guest of honor.

The next meeting will be held from 3 to 6 o'clock on November 23 at the Y. W. C. A. Building, 1407 Locust street, in the fifth-floor tea-room. Members of the Missouri University faculty and their wives will be cordially welcomed.

URGES INCOME TAX

Professor Davenport Points
to Inequalities in
Present System.

"On a lot in Columbia worth \$3,000 was erected a \$3,000 house. The taxes were increased six-fold," said Prof. H. J. Davenport of the economics department in a discussion of taxation in Missouri at the meeting of the Social Science Club Friday night. "The city of Columbia is ingeniously trying to penalize any one who wants to build a house."

Professor Davenport said the chief difficulty with the general property tax lay in the difficulty of equal distribution. Four-fifths of the earning capacity of the state is untaxed, according to his estimate. The income tax properly administered, he said, would remedy this defect.

"Why," he asked, "should a professor drawing a salary of \$2,500 be exempt from taxation on it, when a farmer with equal income from his property is paying taxes?"

The method of levying taxes, whereby the property owner is left to estimate the value of his personal property, results in a small per cent of personal property being taxed, according to Professor Davenport. Thus the cities often fail to pay their just share of the taxes and the farmer must stand heavier taxation.

S. D. Gromer, secretary of extension work at the University, spoke on the practical reforms that might be brought about in Missouri for many years.

"I believe the general property tax can be equitably administered," he said, "by the creation of a tax commission."

Mr. Gromer cited instances of gross inequalities in the taxes levied by local assessors. In one instance the assessed valuation of some real estate was only about 16 per cent of the real value.

"The same assessor levied a tax of 100 per cent on a little money which I happened to have," he said. "This is an example of the interpretation of that clause of our constitution which says property shall be assessed at its cash value."

Both Professor Davenport and Professor Gromer expressed opposition to the so-called single tax.

The discussion was informal and was participated in by all who cared to express an opinion or ask a question. The club has asked Dr. Isidor Loeb to open the discussion on "Tax Reform in Missouri" at the next meeting, November 22.

TO BOOST THE KATY SERVICE

Commercial Club Will Be Asked to
Get Patronage for Sleeper.

The Commercial Club will be asked by the Missouri, Kansas and Texas Railway, through its agent here, H. L. Wilson, to assist in securing enough patronage for the Railway Company to continue its sleeping car service between here and St. Louis.

Mr. Wilson has received instructions from the officials of the road, telling him to present the matter to the Commercial Club and see what means can be used to get the desired patronage.

GIRLS' COLLEGE HEAD FIRES AT PROWLERS

President Wood Shoots Five
Times at Boys on Stephens
College Campus.

HE USES FINE SHOT

Throwing at Windows by
Loafers Must Be Stopped,
He Says.

Five shots were fired at prowlers on the Stephens College campus by J. M. Wood, president of the college, at 9:30 o'clock Saturday night. Mr. Wood said this morning he believed this would put a stop to this sort of annoyance.

"For six weeks or more two groups of boys, about five in all, have been hanging around the campus throwing at the windows and annoying the girls," said Mr. Wood. "On some of these occasions I have gone out and the boys have run away as soon as they saw me."

"About 9 o'clock Saturday night one of the teachers coming back to the college with a number of girls saw two boys prowling around the building. These boys did not run away when the women approached. They said nothing but stood near by and grinned brazenly as the women entered the building."

"Soon after this the girls were annoyed by those boys throwing at the curtains in the open windows upstairs. I presume the boys had an air rifle, or at any rate they threw something at the windows. The matron of the college called me over the telephone at my home and told me of the annoyance. I made two attempts to get the police by telephone but was unsuccessful. I then went to the college myself and got a revolver which is kept there."

"I went out to the west side of the building where the boys were standing. It seemed to me they were trying to look through some of the downstairs windows. I fired five shots at them, emptying the revolver. The boys ran away. I couldn't tell whether I hit any of them. My purpose was merely to scare the boys."

"The shells with which the revolver was loaded could not do any appreciable harm. They were small and loaded with fine shot, not single bullets. The shells themselves were made of either wood or paper, I don't remember which, and the shot I am sure was too small to do much damage. I intended, however, to show these boys that there was some one here to protect the college girls and that I mean to put a stop to the annoyance."

"I do not believe they were University boys. I imagine they are just some loafers about town."

CLASSES TO WRESTLE AND BOX

Meets May Be Arranged With Kansas
and Ames.

Classes will be started at the University next week in wrestling and boxing. For a time no individual work will be given but the men will meet and have the general principles demonstrated to them. A punching pad will be used by the class in boxing till the men have learned how to strike blows properly.

The department of athletics is endeavoring to arrange for boxing and wrestling meets with Kansas and Ames. Class tournaments will be held after the teams have been sufficiently developed and from the contestants will be picked the Varsity teams. Teams may be sent to the Big Nine meet.

Y. W. C. A. INITIATES SIXTY

Original Ritual Service of the Univer-
sity of Missouri Used.

Sixty new members were initiated into the Y. W. C. A. Sunday afternoon at Read Hall. After a musical program, the initiates, wearing white, formed a circle, each one holding a candle. They filed past the president, Miss Marguerite Jackson, who read the initiation service, and lighted their candles from her large one. At the close of the ritual all present sang "Jesus Calls Us."

The impressive candle service originated at the University of Missouri. Requests for it have been made by several chapters from other universities and colleges of this part of the country.